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SEPTEMBER 20,

CHOOSING DELEGATES

There is some discussion as to the manner in which Oregon's delegates to the next national convention shall be chosen. In the good old days, when John or Joe ruled the roost, there was a pretense that the delegates were elected by the State Convention. As a matter of fact they were appointed by John or Joe, whichever happened to be on top. It was bossism, but it possessed the merit of simplicity, and a candidate for such transitory honors was not compelled to consult a great number of what is known as "common" people. All that was necessary to decide the aspirant's fate was for him to see the reigning boss, and whoever could deliver the most "goods" got the job. Occasionally gratitude for past services cut some figure with the political dictator, but, as a rule, hope of future service in the primaries, the election, or the legislative caucus decided. The petty bosses appear to have lost somewhat of their power, and he who aspires to office today must at least make a pretense of consulting the people. But, since the Republican National Convention this year is to be a cut and dried affair, dominated and controlled by the President, who is either to take the office himself or bestow it upon his chosen heir, why not have the President appoint the delegates and write the platform. So far as the result is concerned this might as well be done. Unless there is a change in public sentiment Mr. Roosevelt will be the whole show. He will name the nominee and he will dictate the platform.

No man in modern times ever so completely controlled a country as does President Roosevelt. There can be but one reason for this, and that is that the people have the most perfect confidence in his ability and integrity. They judge him by the work he has performed along the line of honesty and equal enforcement of the laws, and while some danger in his methods their number will not be sufficient to defeat his control of the party machinery. In effect the government of the United States today is a dictatorship, and so long as the results accomplished are beneficial to the public there will probably be no great protest.

CHANGE THE DATE

Of course it rained during the State Fair. It always does. The date is set apparently for the purpose of insuring rain. For every other purpose (except one) it is about the worst date that could possibly be chosen. In many parts of the State fruits and vegetables are not matured, and this is especially true of Columbia and the Coast counties. Potatoes and other root crops are not ready to dig and the best varieties of apples have not acquired their full size or perfect coloring. If it is the object to give the Southern counties an advantage then that may be another sufficient reason in the opinion of the Board of Agriculture for holding the fair just about the time the equinoctial storm may be expected. The ostensible reason, however, is that the present date is necessary in order to secure a good string of horses for the races.

If the State Fair was intended by the people to be more of a horse trot than any thing else this might be a good reason; but we can not find in the law creating the State Board any information that that body is organized for such a purpose, nor do we believe the people would countenance any appropriation of public money for such a purpose.

The Agricultural College does not make money, and there is no institution in Oregon for which the farmers are more willing to pay taxes. The State Fair is, or should be, an agricultural college of the grandest kind, filled with the most magnificent illustrations of what the intelligent agriculturist is capable of producing. It is more than this—it is Oregon's greatest advertising medium and incentive to worthy endeavor.

Changing the date, however, to the second week in October we do not believe would lessen the attendance. By that time the farmer has harvested and sold his crops, the hogs and prunes are picked and the workers have money in their pockets. They will go to the fair, and the majority of them would just as soon see an Indian pony race as one in the 2:10 class. Though we do not believe the change of date would injure the quality of the racing.

At any rate we would like to see a change of date if the people are not satisfied with the present one.

by the superior showing that will be made of Oregon's industries.

GET BUSY.

The County Court, on September 6th, made the following order: Whereas, the old court house was sold with the understanding to be moved in thirty days after vacation, and a reasonable time having elapsed above the thirty days; it is hereby ordered by the court that said building be moved on or before October 1st 1907, and in case of failure to move said building the court will proceed to have the same moved.

Whereas the county court heretofore made an order asking the city to furnish certain lots for a street fronting the new court house, preparatory to the county improving the same in manner as set forth in said order, it is hereby ordered that unless the city of St. Helens turns over the deeds to said lots on or before the first day of October, 1907, the county court will refuse to make the said improvements at present, for the reason that said land can only be gotten from the river during the period of low water.

It is time the city got busy on this proposition, provided it wants the plaza. In our opinion there is nothing that would be of more benefit to St. Helens than the beauty spot the county court proposes to create. As we understand it, all deeds, with one exception, are in the possession of the city, and we trust before the first day of next month all of the property in question will have been turned over to the county.

But the people of St. Helens are very much opposed to this public property being converted into a mere means of private gain. Certain parties will naturally be benefited by it and their property will be made more valuable. But the county court, having control of the property, should not permit private owners to use it as their own. No gates should be allowed to open from private property onto the plaza. The county should construct and maintain an ornamental iron fence on each side. It should not be a public street nor county road, and at all times should be guarded against vandalism. It might be well for the city to limit the kind of structures that will be permitted within a certain distance of the county's property.

THE TRIBUNE'S CANVASS.

The Chicago Tribune has just completed a poll of the Republican editors of the New England States as to their choice for the Republican nomination for the Presidency. Taft is first choice by 389 votes out of 520, while Hughes received 129 votes for first; while for second or third choice he has 389 votes, leading Taft for both second and third choice. This is a most remarkable showing for Mr. Hughes. Taft is the President's candidate. Every postoffice editor and Presidential pap sucker in the East doubtless voted for him. The country press of the New England States is very apt to bow to the wishes of the President and name as their candidate the man in whose favor all the influence of the administration is being exerted.

Those who voted for Hughes had no object except a desire to see the strongest and best man nominated. He has no machine to boost him, nor has he done anything whatever with the intent of creating public sentiment in his own behalf. The partisan newspapers of the country do not correctly represent public sentiment or even party sentiment. They are anxious to pick out the winner, and Taft's large vote is due mainly to the fact that they believe President Roosevelt will dominate the Republican National Convention and dictate the nomination of his favorite. Probably they are correct. The President has a great advantage in the appointing power, and he has shown that he is a second Jackson in his determination to reward his friends and punish his enemies. He did everything possible to aid that gentleman in his campaign against Hearst, yet he would brook no interference from him in the programme he has mapped out, and it is probable that at the right time the Governor will announce that he will not be a candidate.

As a candidate Hughes would undoubtedly be the stronger man. He has not hesitated to use the veto power in the interest of the people, and the State is better governed by day than since Tilden occupied the chair. The people note, also, that he is not a grandstand man nor an egotist. He has done his duty in such a manner as to make as few enemies as possible, yet he has done it very thoroughly. No republican would vote against Hughes while very many will vote against Mr. Taft.

Mr. Taft will not draw a democratic vote, but will lose thousands, especially in the State of New York, where he will be opposed by the labor organizations and the personal and capitalistic enemies of President Roosevelt.

Mr. Hughes would carry out to its limit the policy of enforcing the laws equally and this the people undoubtedly demand; but President Roosevelt has made up his mind that he will name the nominee and will hear of no one except Taft.

When Mr. Harriman engineers large issues of Union Pacific bonds in order to buy blocks of other roads, which rapidly depreciate in market value, the Union Pacific actually suffer heavy losses. The railroads of the United States own \$2,554,308,852 in other stocks and bonds. To a certain extent this represents double capitalization, and it is on their capitalization, honest or fraudulent, that the railroads claim the right to earn dividends when they are confronted with the question of rate regulation. If they are to be left free to fix their own rates they must stop watering

For Columbian Subscribers

All subscribers who have paid for the Columbian in advance for one year are on the list for the balance of the time due them without extra charge. At the end of the year, unless we are notified to stop their paper, they will begin paying the same rate for the Mist as other subscribers pay.

Columbian subscribers who have not paid for that paper owe the amount due to the Mist. They will be carried on our list unless ordered stopped and bills will be sent them to the end of the year for which they subscribed.

We certainly think we are furnishing a better paper than the Columbian and hope to retain all its subscribers and gain many new ones.

ANGLO-JAPANESE TREATY

It is said that in the event of war between America and Japan, should Russia attempt to regain her foothold in Manchuria England would be compelled by the terms of her treaty to aid the Japanese. It may be written so, and Japan might be foolish enough to rely upon such a document. But the time has gone by when the Government of Great Britain would dare plunge that country into a great war without the approval of the English people. The aristocracy of England have never been friendly to the United States, and had they dared would no doubt have interfered in favor of the South during the civil war; but we have always had strong friends among the greatest of England's statesmen, from the days of the revolution to the present time. The men who were nearest to the hearts of the English people have sympathized with the United States and have not hesitated to espouse our cause. If we have war with Japan it will be after we have done all that is possible for a self respecting nation to do to avert such a calamity, and in that event-treaty or no treaty-England will never aid Japan against the United States.

REUBEN

Born, September 13, 1907, to the wife of F. W. Jordan, a son.

Died, at Marvill, Ore., September 10, Mildred, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Truman, age 2 years and 6 months. Interment at Deer Island.

I. H. Copeland made an official visit in district 20 on Friday last.

Mrs. E. H. Erlinger returned home Saturday evening from a two weeks work in the hop fields.

Emile Wasser and wife were Portland visitors Friday.

The heavy wind and rain Saturday and Sunday done great damage to the pears and prunes in this vicinity.

Ernest Wasser and wife returned home Friday from a visit in Portland.

Ross Winans, of Hood River, is visiting his uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. A. Winans.

(Too late for last week)

Wm. Wagner and F. W. Jordan visited Seattle last Friday.

Charles Pond, bookkeeper for the Goble Milling Co., has moved his family from Hood River to the company's mill at Reuben.

Mr. A. Winans shipped 50 boxes of pears to Portland Tuesday.

Mrs. E. D. Potter and Mrs. G. S. Snyder were Portland visitors Tuesday.

Mr. Davidson and wife of Hood River arrived in town Wednesday evening. Mr. Davidson is president of the Goble Milling Company.

A surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hoven, Saturday evening in honor of their third anniversary. The evening was spent in cards and other games after which refreshments were served. Those present besides the host and hostess were Mr. and Mrs. M. Link, Mr. and Mrs. H. Welter, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Watts, Mrs. C. Hoven, Mrs. C. Maginn, Miss J. Magnusson, Messrs. Thos. Hunter, Fred Jensen, E. Jensen and G. W. Nicholson.

YANKTON ITEMS.

School Commenced Monday morning with Miss Edie Fitzgerald of Anity as teacher.

Steve Lamp's cottage is nearly completed and improves the looks of his place considerably.

Mrs. C. H. Briggs and Miss Beth Brown returned last Friday from a week's sojourn at Seaside.

G. L. Tarbell and wife and Miss Iva are visiting their daughter Mrs. H. O. Oliver at Lebanon. Mr. Tarbell expects to visit the State Fair at Salem while away.

Yankton Grange will give an entertainment and box supper at the hall Saturday evening, October 5. All are cordially invited to come and have a good time.

The hall looks much improved since it has been painted and it will be finished inside as soon as lumber can be had.

School Report.

Following is the report for the first school month of the Reuben school, Dist. No. 20.

No. of days attendance.....787 1/2
No. of days absence.....33 1/2
Times tardy.....19
Average daily attendance.....39
No. girls enrolled.....21
No. boys enrolled.....28
Total number belonging.....49

The following were neither absent nor tardy during the month. Nellie and Grace Brown, Catharine and Jack Ehringer, Annie and Flora Horch, Mary, Bertha, and Dora Nussbaum, Loren, Byron, Francis, and Smith Jordan, Harry and Thomas Maginn, William Snyder, Harvey and Gladys Jordan, and Jenny Bell Link.

JOHANNA MAGNUSSEN, Principal
HARRIET HERR, Primary.

RAINIER

Mr. J. B. Godfrey, deputy assessor was in Rainier last Wednesday, looking after matters connected with the assessors office. The assessment this year will show an immense increase in the valuation of Rainier, the A. & C. Railroad being assessed at \$30,000 per mile, and there being about two and one third miles in the city limits. The assessed valuation will probably be about \$300,000.

Misses Ruby Jackson and Alice Perry returned this week from a visit with friends at Salem.

Mrs. Jas. Low was a visitor to Portland on Monday.

Jeweler Nut transacted business in Portland Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Timoney returned recently from a three months visit to their old home in the state of Maine which they had not seen for fifteen years. Mr. Timoney says the timber of that section is practically all cut, he saw one farmer with fifteen logs in his wagon bed on his way to the saw mill. He says the culled lumber that is sold here for \$4.00 per thousand is worth \$16.00 there. Mr. Timoney says he would not go back there to live if they gave him the whole of Aroostook county.

Mr. McMillan of the McMillan Mercantile company has just received a letter from his old employer Mr. C. H. Puckett of Virginia, asking about Rainier and the chances for opening a store here.

The Congregational Sunday school children are hereby notified that regular Sunday school services will be held at the church every Sunday morning at 10:30. All children are cordially invited to attend; pleasant and instructive classes will be formed to suit the wants of the little ones.

Mr. C. A. Evans will open up a grocery store in one Water Street just this side of Bell's store.

Dr. Mossman's family were passengers for Portland on Wednesday mornings train.

Mr. John C. Cox special agent of the Queen City Fire Ins. Co. was looking over the company's risks last Monday.

It has not been generally known, but Rainier has had among its numerous visitors one of the most widely known physicians in the United States in the person of Dr. Cowperthwaite of Chicago, whose medical works are read by every homeopathic physician in the United States and Europe. On account of his health, the doctor expects to soon retire permanently from practice, and talks seriously of making Rainier his future home, where his daughter Mrs. L. S. Thomas resides. The doctor left for Chicago last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lockwood of Winfield, Kansas, visited with Mrs. Lockwood's sister Mrs. J. L. Bell last Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Charley Roberts, Al Lee's hired man is having strenuous times around the hotel this week. While Charley is a good natured fellow he cannot always be imposed upon. On two nights of this week loggers went into the store room and helped themselves to a roll of blankets and made beds for themselves on the office floor. This is against the rules of the hotel, it became Charley's duty to oust the intruders, but while he came out victorious in both encounters, he had rather a strenuous time in the last combat, and still carries the marks of battle on his face.

The Columbia, the biggest dredger in the world, is working on the Columbia river above Rainier dredging out the channel.

The Knights of Pythias have changed their night of meeting to Saturday instead of Monday night. There will be work in all the ranks next Saturday, if time permits.

W. C. Fischer, of Siletz, Lincoln County, was a visitor to his old home in Rainier this week. He expresses himself as highly pleased with his home and has made many acquaintances.

The Kalama current is now furnishing electric light for the Town of Rainier, giving longer hours and a much better and more dependable light. In about one month we will have the twenty-four hour circuit, available for both light and power. The company now has power to furnish lights for a town four times the size of Rainier, or about 7,500 lights.

Charles E. Davis, who has been fireman on the Iralda the past seven months, has received his license as engineer and has been given a position in the employ of the Shaver Company as engineer of the tug "No Wonder." He had worked as fireman for about five years.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thurston have leased the Rainier hotel for five years and moved up there on Wednesday's boat. They are number one hotel keepers and the citizens of Rainier are lucky in obtaining their services. They would like all Clatskita to call and see them woven in Rainier.—Chief.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. J. White wishes to thank the friends for their kindly assistance during the sickness and death of his wife Leona Cathrine White.

Card of Thanks.

Goble, Oregon, September, 17, 1907. We wish to thank the neighbors and friends who were so kind to us during the sickness and death of our little one.

J. E. TRUMAN
BESSIE TRUMAN

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KIST

Oscar Weed is teaching out in Washington County.

Miss Gertrude Weed will finish the Kist school Friday, September 20th, and begin the Vernonia school the following Monday.

The present rain is seriously hindering threshing in the Valley. Burgener & Dallas got down as far as Sam Mow's last Saturday night and thrashed him out by lantern light. It has been raining now for two days and grain stacks are reported to be taking water.

It was the Nehalem Horse Company, instead of the hose company, mentioned in last week's items.

F. H. North took a load of shingles to Buxton last week and got \$2.60 per thousand for them.

At the solicitation of a few farmers of Kist and Vernonia Dr. Withycombe is scheduled to hold four farmers institutes in the Nehalem valley at the following named places and dates: Vernonia, Oct. 9; Natal, Oct. 10; Fakhawk, Oct. 11 and Jewell, Oct. 12. There will be stereopticon illustrated lectures at the evening sessions and Dr. Withycombe assures us that they will be interesting to children as well as grown people.

Miss Huddleston closed a successful term of school in the Beaver district Friday. She will attend Monmouth the coming year.

Samples of grains, grasses and of three crops of alfalfa were sent from this place to the State Fair, but a letter from Mr. Fullerton states that they have not been received and it is feared that they were lost on the way.

Willis Dallas brought in the organ for the Beaver Creek S. S. It is an attractive feature of the school.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County.

Annie E. Hall, Plaintiff
vs
T. B. Hall, Defendant.

To T. B. Hall, the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court cause on or before Saturday, Nov. 2, 1907, which is six weeks after the date ordered for the first publication of this notice, and if you fail to so appear and answer the complaint, to-wit: for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between above named plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as to the court seems meet and just.

This summons is published by order of the Hon. H. S. Hattan, judge of the above named court, made and entered on the 18 day of September 1907.

MACMAHON & McDEVITT,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County.

Ida Winters, Plaintiff
vs
Percy Winters, Defendant.

To Percy Winters, the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court cause on or before Saturday, Nov. 2, 1907, which is six weeks after the date ordered for the first publication of this notice, and if you fail to so appear and answer the complaint, to-wit: for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between above named plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as to the court seems meet and just.

This summons is published by order of the Hon. H. S. Hattan, judge of the above named court, made and entered on the 18 day of Sept. 1907.

MACMAHON & McDEVITT,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County.

Pearl Coquet, Plaintiff
vs
Eugene Coquet, Defendant.

To Eugene Coquet, the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court cause on or before Saturday, Nov. 2, 1907, which is six weeks after the date ordered for the first publication of this notice, and if you fail to so appear and answer the complaint, to-wit: for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between above named plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as to the court seems meet and just.

This summons is published by order of the Hon. H. S. Hattan, judge of the above named court, made and entered on the 18 day of September 1907.

MACMAHON & McDEVITT,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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Notice of Publication

(Timber Land, Act June 4, 1874)

United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, August 1, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of an act of Congress of June 4, 1874, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Gora B. Landcraft, of Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his statement No. 1255, for the purchase of the S. E. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of sec. 26, in Township 3 N., Range No. 4 E., and will offer proof to show that the land is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to the same. The Register and Receiver at Portland on Tuesday, the 26 day of September, 1907.

The names of witnesses: J. B. Godfrey, of St. Helens, Ore.; A. J. Vandolish, of Houlton, Ore.; Mrs. L. B. Hayward, of Portland, Ore.; W. Sears, of Portland, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 26 day of November, 1907.

ALGERNON S. DRESSER,
Register.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia County.

Mrs. Ida Chamberlin, Plaintiff
vs
Henry Chamberlin, Defendant.

To Henry Chamberlin, Defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court cause on or before Friday the first day of November, 1907, which is six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer the complaint, to-wit: That the marriage contract now existing between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Hon. Thos. A. McBride, judge of the above entitled court, made and entered on the 14th day of September, 1907.

JOHN DITCHBURN,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

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